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SUBJECT: OPIC BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MISSION

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT OF PATRICIA COUNTS AND BROOKS BROWNE WHICH IS PARTICULARLY TIMELY. FOREIGN PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN HAITI REMAINS SMALL AND THE VERY SLOW GROWTH OF THAT INVESTMENT MIRRORS VERY SLOW ECONOMIC GROWTH RATE OF THE COUNTRY. A SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR HAITI REQUIRES RAPID PRODUCTIVITY INCREASES IN BOTH THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR. INASMUCH AS THE HAITIAN PRIVATE SECTOR HAS LIMITED CAPITAL AND MANAGEMENT RESOURCES, A WELL CONCEIVED FOREIGN INVESTMENT SECTOR IS A NECESSARY BUT MISSING ASPECT OF HAITI'S DEVELOPMENT EFFORT.

2. IN RECENT YEARS, THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL SECTOR HAS BEEN THE MOST DYNAMIC PART OF HAITI'S ECONOMY. IT APPEARS TO OFFER THE BEST OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVESTORS FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE OPIC'S VIEWS ON:

A) METHODS TO STIMULATE U.S. INVESTMENT IN THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL SECTOR;

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B) ADEQUACY OF HAITI'S INVESTMENT INCENTIVES;

C) PRODUCTS SUITABLE FOR HAITIAN MANUFACTURE DUE TO INTENSIVE LABOR REQUIREMENTS.

3. REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS AND RESERVATIONS AT HOTEL

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MEET.
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